

## IMMIGRANT VISA INTERVIEW CHECKLIST

*Every principal applicant and accompanying dependent must attend the interview.*

- ☐ One completed Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration, Form DS-230 Part II. Please fill out this form using a typewriter or block letters. **DO NOT SIGN IT UNTIL YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO DO SO BY THE CONSULAR OFFICER.** Every numbered part must be completed. If any part does NOT apply to you, write "NOT APPLICABLE." **One form must also be completed for each member of your family who plans to immigrate with you.**
- ☐ Passport for each principal applicant and accompanying dependent, with current name. Each passport must have at least eight months validity beyond the issuance date of the visa.
- ☐ Two (2) colored photographs for each applicant. The photograph must be an unmounted full-face photo 2 inches square (roughly 50 mm square) with the head centered in the frame, taken within the past six months and on a white background.
- ☐ Original and one copy of the **Trinidad & Tobago computerized birth certificate** of each petitioner, principal applicant and accompanying dependent
- ☐ Original and one photocopy of baptismal certificate(s) and birth affidavit(s) (if applicable).
- ☐ Original and one photocopy of deed poll for name changes (if applicable).
- ☐ Original and one photocopy of marriage certificate (if applicable).
- ☐ Original and one photocopy of divorce decree and/or death certificate of any former spouse (if applicable).
- ☐ Police certificate for each applicant age 16 and older, from the country of current nationality or residence and from every country in which the applicant has lived for more than one year (except the United States). The Embassy keeps the original certificates.  
*Note: Police certificates are valid for a period of one (1) year from the date they are issued.*
- ☐ Court or prison records and one photocopy (if applicable).

- ☐ Evidence of financial support (**if not already submitted to the National Visa Center**) must be brought in on the day of the appointment.

***Note: Financial support documents are valid for a period of one (1) year from the date they are signed.***

If you must present evidence of financial support the day of your interview, please ensure you have the following:

**FOR MOST APPLICANTS:**

- Affidavit of Support Form I-864, from your sponsor. Each principal applicant must have an **original** affidavit of support signed by the sponsor. Accompanying dependents must present a photocopy of the original form presented for the principal applicant.
- One copy of the sponsor's U.S. passport, birth certificate, Naturalization Certificate OR green card
- One copy of the sponsor's last year of federal income tax returns
- One copy of the sponsor's last year of W-2 statements
- One **original** job letter stating the sponsor's position, salary, number of hours worked per week and length of time in the job.

***(These requirements can vary. You and your sponsor should consult the instructions for filling out the I-864 Affidavit of Support.)***

**FOR APPLICANTS FOR THE DIVERSITY VISA AND MOST EMPLOYMENT-BASED VISAS:**

- Affidavit of support Form I-134 from a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident willing to offer you financial support upon immigration to the United States, preferably a family member; AND/OR evidence of your ability to support yourself in the United States, such as proof of your assets.
- One copy of the sponsor's most recent income tax return
- One copy of the sponsor's most recent W-2 statement
- One copy of the sponsor's most recent bank statement (optional)
- One **original** job letter stating the sponsor's position, salary, number of hours worked per week and length of time in the job.

- ☐ Completed medical reports. All intending immigrants are required by U.S. law to undergo certain medical examinations. Instructions for these examinations are attached. Bring the envelope or X-ray that the doctor gives you.

***Note: Medical examinations are valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of the exam.***

- ☐ **VISA FEE.** Each immigrant, regardless of age, requires a separate visa. **(IF NOT PAID TO NVC)** You must be prepared to pay a fee of US \$380 (i.e. US \$335 IV Application & US \$45 IV Surcharge) or the TT equivalent for each visa when you come to the Embassy. The fee can also be paid using Visa or MasterCard. **DO NOT PAY THIS FEE AT TT POST. CHECKS AND LINX CARDS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**
- ☐ **\*\*Effective September 23, 2003, applicants for immigrant visas as healthcare workers must submit the original and one (1) copy of their VisaScreen certificate issued by the International Commission on Healthcare Professions**

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### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

No assurance can be given that a visa will be issued. Only after all documents have been reviewed, the consular officer has interviewed you and you sign and swear to your formal application can a decision be reached by the officer as to your eligibility under the law to receive a visa. At times, the officer will require additional documents to be submitted or routine verification of the application. **YOU ARE ADVISED NOT TO MAKE ANY TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEPARTURE FROM THIS COUNTRY, NOT TO DISPOSE OF YOUR PROPERTY AND NOT TO GIVE UP YOUR JOB UNTIL THE VISA HAS BEEN ISSUED.** The visa is usually valid for six months from the date of issuance, which means that you must enter the United States during that six-month period.

**This office will make every effort to expedite your visa interview on the day of your appointment. However, it is possible that you will have to spend the entire morning at the Embassy before final action can be taken on your application. Once an application is approved, you will be instructed when to return to collect your immigrant visa.**

**IF YOU FAIL TO KEEP YOUR APPOINTMENT AND NOTIFY THIS OFFICE, YOUR APPLICATION AND ANY IMMIGRANT PETITION APPROVED ON YOUR BEHALF WILL BE CANCELED ONE YEAR AFTER YOUR SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT.**